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Title: METHOD AND APPARTUS FOR ISSUING AND MANAGING GIFT  
CERTIFICATES  
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Examiner: Ella Colbert

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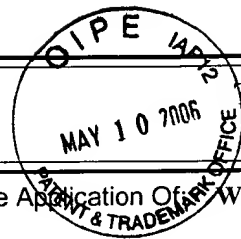
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In Re Application Of WALKER et al.

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09/613,361	July 10, 2000	Ella Colbert	22927	3624	9450

Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ISSUING AND MANAGING GIFT CERTIFICATES**

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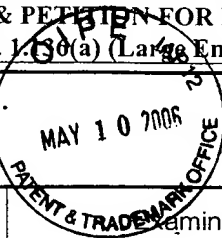
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**COMBINED TRANSMITTAL OF APPEAL BRIEF TO THE BOARD OF PATENT  
APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) (Large Entity)**

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Invention: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ISSUING AND MANAGING GIFT CERTIFICATES**

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